

21. (New) The fishing lure apparatus as claimed in claim 20, wherein said skirt further includes a plurality of circumferentially spaced, resilient tertiary legs extending radially outwardly from said hub and said line generally in said plane, each of said tertiary legs being shorter than said primary legs and disposed between a respective pair of adjacent primary legs.

22. (New) The fishing lure apparatus as claimed in claim 20, wherein said hub has a generally radially extending slit therein between each of said primary legs to provide an axis of bending movement for each of the primary legs independent of the movements of the secondary legs.

REMARKS

Newly presented Claims 20-22 are in this application.

Applicant appreciates the examiner's assistance in suggesting amendments to the claims that distinguish claims 20-22 over the prior art of record. It is believed by applicant that new independent claim 20 particularly defines each of the groups of secondary legs that presents a corresponding primary leg, and the characteristics of the secondary legs as set forth in the claim.

It is clear that the cited prior art does not show or suggest the fishing lure apparatus comprising the combination of elements as set forth in claim 20 and that, therefore, claim 20 and claims 21 and 22 dependent therefrom are allowable.

Accordingly, allowance of claims 20-22 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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